



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q66977

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Group Art Unit: 1621

Confirmation No.: 8241

Examiner: Karl J. Puttlitz

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For: PRODUCTION PROCESS FOR PRODUCT OF DEHYDRATION REACTION AND  
APPARATUS USED FOR THE PRODUCTION

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for a second month extension of time, further extending the time for responding to the Office Action of April 7, 2004 from the previously one-month extended date of August 7, 2004, to September 7, 2004.

A check for the statutory fee of \$310.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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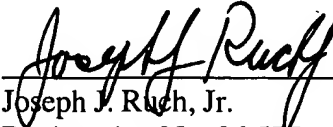
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